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April 27, 2007

The Honorable Timothy S. Bee
President
Arizona State Senate
1700 West Washington Street
Senate Office Building
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: SB 1301: misconduct involving weapons; exception

Dear President Bee:

Today I vetoed Senate Bill 1301, which would have expanded the circumstances under which a person could legally carry a concealed weapon without a permit.

I object to the provisions of this bill that would allow weapons to be carried without a concealed weapons permit so long as *any* portion of the weapon is visible. A small corner of the handle of a gun may be insufficient to give reasonable notice to the public or to law enforcement that a person is armed.

Moreover, if lawful gun owners wish to carry concealed weapons in common areas of office buildings, or other places this bill would allow, they should get a permit. Allowing concealed weapons in office parking lots or other common areas to be carried by persons who have not met the qualification requirements set forth in A.R.S. § 13-3112 is not in the best interests of Arizonans.

For these and other reasons, I have vetoed Senate Bill 1301.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Janet Napolitano", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Janet Napolitano
Governor

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cc: The Honorable Jim Weiers
The Honorable Karen Johnson

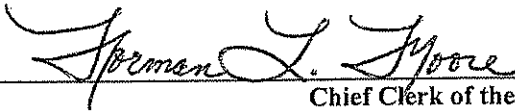
Passed the House April 9, 2007,

by the following vote: 40 Ayes,

16 Nays, 4 Not Voting



Speaker of the House

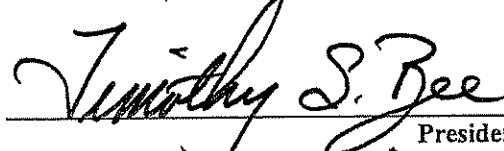


Chief Clerk of the House

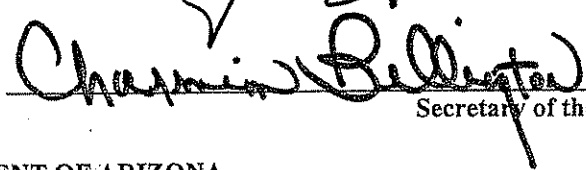
Passed the Senate February 21, 2007,

by the following vote: 23 Ayes,

7 Nays, 0 Not Voting



President of the Senate



Secretary of the Senate

~~EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR~~

~~This Bill was received by the Governor this~~

~~_____ day of _____, 20____,~~

~~at _____ o'clock _____ M.~~

~~_____
Secretary to the Governor~~

~~Approved this _____ day of~~

~~_____, 20____,~~

~~at _____ o'clock _____ M.~~

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Governor of Arizona~~

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~~EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE~~

~~This Bill was received by the Secretary of State~~

~~this _____ day of _____, 20____,~~

~~at _____ o'clock _____ M.~~

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Secretary of State~~

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE
AMENDMENTS AND FINAL PASSAGE

Passed the Senate April 23, 2007

by the following vote: 21 Ayes,

5 Nays, 4 Not Voting

Timothy S. Bee
President of the Senate

Charmine Ballington
Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill received by the Governor this

23rd day of April, 2007

at 12:48 o'clock P. M.

Jennifer Lybarra
Secretary to the Governor

Approved this _____ day of _____

at VETO o'clock _____ M.

Governor of Arizona

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill received by the Secretary of State

this 27 day of April, 2007

at 3:30 o'clock P. M.

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

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